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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests a three-month extension of time in connection with the above patent application. Applicants' attorney authorizes the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to charge deposit account #01-2530 in the amount of \$930.00 for the payment of this fee. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge deposit account #01-2530 for any additional fees required in connection with this extension or the claims. An extra copy of this petition is enclosed for the Accounting Department.

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